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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

This Amendment After Final Rejection is being submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated May 23, 2006 and is being timely within the first month after the three-month shortened statutory period set for a response to the Office Action. A Petition for a one-month extension of time accompanies this paper. If any additional fee is due, charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 209976.0023).

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to and Listing of the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 11 of this paper.